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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Steven R. DONOVAN

Application Serial No.: 09/435,540

Filing Date: November 8, 1999

Attorney Docket No.: 09710-1165

Client Docket No.: RIC-99-057

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE**

Examiner: Parton, K.

Group Art Unit: 2153

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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM OF PROVIDING DIFFERENTIATED SERVICES (as amended)

Box AF, DIRECTOR OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS

Washington, DC 20231

**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

FEE CALCULATION	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREV. PAID FOR	NO. OF EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	31	MINUS	31	0	\$18	\$ 0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	2	MINUS	3	0	\$84	\$ 0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Petition is hereby made under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the Office Action of <u>December 4, 2002</u> to and through <u>February 4, 2003</u> , for an extension of: <input type="checkbox"/> One month (\$110) <input type="checkbox"/> Two months (\$410) <input type="checkbox"/> Three months (\$930) <input type="checkbox"/> Four months (\$1450)						\$ 0.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE DUE:						\$ 0.00

- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR § 1.27.
- ☐ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ Payment of \$ \_\_\_ by Credit Card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.
- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 13-2491, including any filing fees under 37 CFR § 1.16 for presentation of extra claims and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17

I hereby certify that this correspondence and all correspondence identified as accompanying this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on February 4, 2003.

Karlyn J. Geiger, Date: 2/4/03  
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Respectfully submitted,

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Stephen C. Carlson  
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(as amended)**BOX AF**Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116**

Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action of December 4, 2002, please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend claim 1 by way of replacement as follows. A marked-up version of the amended claims is enclosed in the Appendix.

1. (Twice Amended) A method of providing Internet Protocol (IP) communications over at least one network with Quality of Service (QoS), comprising the steps of:

initiating a communication session between at least one first end client device and at least one second end client device; and